

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

LISTING OF THE CLAIMS:

Claims 1-4 (cancelled)

5. (original) A rotational speed detection sensor attaching structure for attaching a rotational speed detection sensor for detecting a rotational speed of a multi-plate clutch having a clutch case provided at its outer periphery with a substantially cylindrical portion, wherein:

said cylindrical portion is provided with an oil port opened to the outer periphery and adapted to discharge lubricating oil and said rotational speed detection sensor is attached to a position opposed to said oil port so that the rotational speed is detected by detecting a position of said oil port.

6. (new) A multi-plate clutch comprising:

a clutch case having a substantially cylindrical outer peripheral portion;

friction engagement elements disposed within said clutch case so that power is transmitted by applying a tightening load to said friction engagement elements; and

a substantially cylindrical tone wheel disposed about said outer peripheral portion of said clutch case and press-worked to define one or more radially deformed protrusions or recesses disposed to be detected by a detector during rotation of said clutch case.

7. (new) A multi-plate clutch according to Claim 6, wherein said cylindrical tone wheel is disposed near an opening portion of said clutch case.

8. (new) A multi-plate clutch according to Claim 6, wherein said tone wheel is press-worked to form a circumferentially undulating outer surface.

9. (new) A multi-plate clutch comprising:
a clutch case having a substantially cylindrical outer peripheral portion;

friction engagement elements disposed within said clutch case so that power is transmitted by applying a tightening load to said friction engagement elements; and

a substantially cylindrical tone wheel disposed about said outer peripheral portion of said clutch case and having

at least one opening disposed to be detected by a detector during rotation of said clutch case.

10. (new) A multi-plate clutch according to Claim 9, wherein said opening is in the form of a slit.

11. (new) A multi-plate clutch according to Claim 9, wherein said opening is in the form of a through-hole.

12. (new) A multi-plate clutch according to Claim 9, wherein said tone wheel includes a first portion attached to said outer peripheral portion of said clutch case, and a second portion formed with said at least one opening and radially spaced from said outer peripheral portion of said clutch case.

13. (new) A multi-plate clutch comprising:

a rotatable clutch case having an oil port opening on an outer periphery of the clutch case, and a rotation speed detection sensor disposed adjacent to a rotation path of said oil port to detect rotation speed of the clutch case by detecting a position of said oil port.